

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect one of the following inventions for further examination: Group I: Claims 1 – 29, drawn to a method; Group II: Claim 30, drawn to an apparatus; and Group III: Claims 31 – 32, drawn to an article.

Pursuant to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects the invention of Group I, Claims 1 – 29, drawn to a method for further examination without traverse.

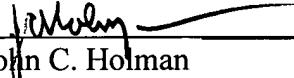
The Applicant preserves the right to file divisional application(s) directed to the non-elected invention(s).

An action on the merits of all of the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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